(e) The demands of the Air Traffic Controllers were examined by the Empowered Committee set up by the National Airports Authority. The Committee has agreed to provide additional promotion prospects for the employees in different grades.

Global tender for Westland Helicopters

1113. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had invited global tenders some time back to dispose of the fleet of Westland helicopters;

(b) if so, what response has been received thereto;

(c) what is the decision, if any taken by Government with regard to the acceptance of the tenders; and

(d) what is the estimated loss likely to be suffered with the disposal of the said fleet?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) Since the purchase of Westland helicopters was financed through a Grant from the Government of U.K., clearance of that Government is required for disposal of these helicopters under the terms of the Grant. Negotiations for disposal of Westland helicopters are on with the overnment of U.K.

Restoration of daily Indian Airlines flight on Nagpur-Delhi-Nagpur route

1114. SHRIKANT RAMACHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that daily flight of Indian Airlines on Nagpur-Delhi-Nagpur route has been discontinued in spite of heavy traffic on this route;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when it is likely to be restarted?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Frequency of Indian Airlines service on Delhi-Nagpur-Raipur and return route has been reduced from daily to four times a week w.e.f. 11.1.1992 due to capacity constraints and insufficient traffic demand.

(c) Due to commercial and operational reasons, Indian Airlines has no plan at present to restore this service on daily basis.

Shifting of Head Quarter of Indian Institute of Tourism and Travel Management

1115. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to shift from Noida the Head Quarters of the Indian Institute of Tourism and Travel Management to Gwalior;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what will be the fate of the 5 acres of land in Noida purchased earlier by Government at concessional rates from the Uttar Pradesh Government for the Institute?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) Indian Institute of Tourism and Travel Management (IITTM) is at present housed in a set of flats totalling an area of about 4000 sq. ft. at New